

July 16, 1942.

Mr. Thomas Wilson,
1220 Sigler St.,
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

I have just received your Special Bulletin to the Members of the League in regards to the protests you have received about the use of players not listed on various rosters.

I wrote you a letter on June 29th, from which I have not received any direct answer. In view of this ruling contained in this letter of July 13th, I feel I should state what happened at Ruppert Stadium more fully. The protest of the two games played here between the Newark Eagles and the New York Black Yankees on June 21st, as handed you by Umpire Craig, the cause was stated due to the fact that the Yankees were using James Starks. The complete story is, that Starks had played eight innings of the first game without any complaints from the Eagles, when the Yankees objected to Mule Suttles going into the game to pinch hit for the Eagles. We have been carrying Mule on the pay-roll all Summer, due to the fact that he has never received a contract from the Yankees and he, of course, wanted to work if possible.

In view of the circumstances surrounding this game I hope you will order the two games played over. If the Yankees were permitted to use Starks, we should certainly have been permitted to use Suttles. Upon their objections, we removed Suttles from the line-up and played the games under protest.

Very truly yours,

RM:CCJ